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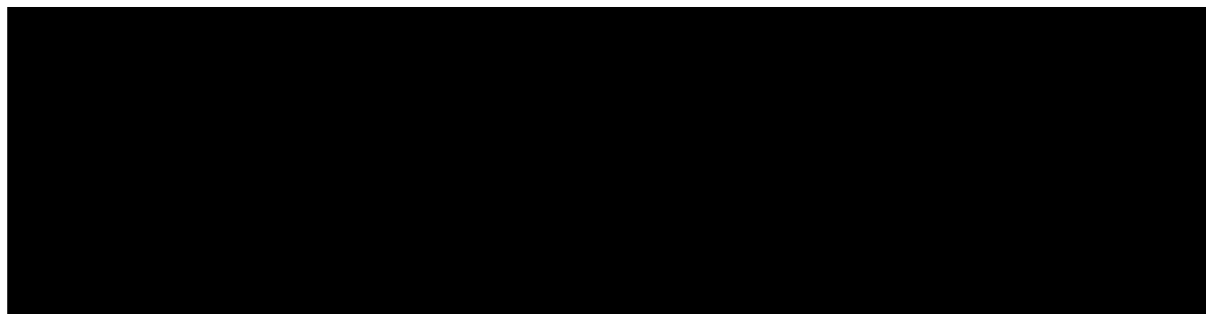
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A previous report* contained information that Willy Hain, prominent associate of the Berlin Industry and Commerce Agency (LIMK), was to procure for the Soviet Zone of Germany a chemical liquid called Freon, a Western German product. The following supplementary information was obtained:

1. The Kaelte-Richter firm, 35/36 Warschauerstrasse, Berlin E-17, is the official recipient of the Freon.
2. The following consignments were expected to arrive in April 1950:
 - a. 5,360 kg of Freon 22 in steel cylinders
 - b. 12 tons of Freon 12.
3. The Freon is delivered by the IG Farben combine in Hoechst (L 51/L 58), the steel cylinders by the Mannesmann firm in Duesseldorf (K 52/K 39).
4. It was again stressed that the steel cylinders in which the Freon is shipped do not show the customary imprinted inscriptions and numbers which would indicate their content.

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Comment:

Kaelte-Richter, the recipient firm, was previously reported to be a cover firm for transactions in which the Soviets do not wish to appear. The firm cooperates with the Berlin Central Kommandatura. It is not possible to definitely rate the credibility of the information, nor is it known whether the exportation of Freon from the Western Zones to the Soviet Zone of Germany is illegal.

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